

## VUS 15 Notes-CONTEMPORARY AMERICA

### SUPREME COURT

- IS VERY \_\_\_\_\_ NOW INCLUDES WOMEN-SANDRA DAY O'CONNOR, RUTH BADER GINSBURG, SONIA SOTOMAYOR and MINORITIES-CLARENCE THOMAS
- THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENTS IN 40's, 50'S AND 60'S- PROVIDED A MODEL THAT OTHER GROUPS HAVE USED TO PROMOTE EQUAL JUSTICE FOR EVERYONE .
- SUPREME COURT NOW TRIES TO \_\_\_\_\_ CIVIL RIGHTS TO ALL PEOPLE

### SUPREME COURT DECISIONS-3 ROLES

- EXPANDED AND **PROTECTED** \_\_\_\_\_ **RIGHTS** ENUMERATED (LISTED) IN THE CONSTITUTION
- IDENTIFIES A CONSTITUTIONAL BASIS FOR **A RIGHT TO** \_\_\_\_\_ THAT IS PROTECTED FROM GOVERNMENT INTERFERENCE.
- **INVALIDATES ACTS THAT EXCEED THE** \_\_\_\_\_ GRANTED TO GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS BY THE CONSTITUTION. *IN OTHER WORDS IF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS TRY TO DO SOMETHING UNCONSTITUTIONAL.*

### IMMIGRATION

- IMMIGRATION HAS INCREASED FROM MANY DIFFERENT COUNTRIES-ESPECIALLY-\_\_\_\_\_ **COUNTRIES**
- IMMIGRANTS STILL COME HERE FOR \_\_\_\_\_ FREEDOM AND \_\_\_\_\_ OPPORTUNITY

### ISSUES RELATED TO IMMIGRATIONS

- STRAIN ON \_\_\_\_\_ SERVICES
- FILLING \_\_\_\_\_ JOBS
- BORDER ISSUES
- PATHWAY TO \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ EDUCATION-ESL CLASSES

### **IMMIGRANTS CONTRIBUTIONS**

- INCREASING \_\_\_\_\_ DIVERSITY
- DIVERSITY IN MUSIC, \_\_\_\_\_, AND LITERATURE
- ROLES IN THE \_\_\_\_\_ FORCE
- ACHIEVEMENTS IN SCIENCE, \_\_\_\_\_ AND OTHER FIELDS

### **SPACE PROGRAM**

- \_\_\_\_\_ STARTED IT
- \_\_\_\_\_ ROADS PLAYED A LARGE PART IN THIS PROGRAM
- 1<sup>ST</sup> MAN TO ORBIT EARTH- \_\_\_\_\_
- 1<sup>ST</sup> MAN TO WALK ON MOON- \_\_\_\_\_ -  
*“ONE SMALL STEP FOR MAN-ONE GIANT LEAP FOR MANKIND”*
- 1<sup>ST</sup> WOMAN ASTRONAUT- \_\_\_\_\_

### **SPACE EXPLORATION TECHNOLOGIES**

- SPACE \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ ROVER
- VOYAGER \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ TELESCOPE
- ROBOTICS
- **TECHNOLOGICAL COMMUNICATION ADVANCES**
- SATELLITE
- GPS-GLOBAL \_\_\_\_\_ SYSTEMS
- PERSONAL \_\_\_\_\_ DEVICES

### **TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATIONS**

- CABLE TV
- 24 HOURS NEWS
- PC'S
- MACS
- INTERNET
- CELL PHONES
- IPOD, IPAD

## **CHANGES IN WORK, SCHOOL, HEALTH CARE**

- TELECOMMUTING
- ON-LINE COURSES
- GROWTH OF \_\_\_\_\_ INDUSTRIES
- MEDICAL RESEARCH-DIAGNOSTIC AND IMAGING TECHNOLOGIES-EX. DNA TESTING, MRI'S ETC.
- OUTSOURCING AND OFF-SHORE

## **COUNTERCULTURE**

- 1960'S-PEOPLE OPPOSED TO \_\_\_\_\_ AND MAINSTREAM CULTURE
- MANY MOVED TO \_\_\_\_\_, CA-HAIGHT ASBURY
- KNOWN AS \_\_\_\_\_
- COUNTER CULTURE INTEREST IN \_\_\_\_\_  
**RELIGIONS AND DRUG USE** THREATENED THE  
**DREAM –AGAINST THE NORM**

## **REAGAN/REPUBLICAN REVOLUTION START**

- STRENGTHENING THE \_\_\_\_\_
- TAX \_\_\_\_\_
- APPOINTED JUDGES/JUSTICES WHO PRACTICED "JUDICIAL \_\_\_\_\_"
- REDUCTION IN NUMBER OF \_\_\_\_\_ PROGRAMS
- TRANSFER OF RESPONSIBILITIES TO \_\_\_\_\_ GOVERNMENTS

## **REAGAN REVOLUTION CONTINUES**

- ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT \_\_\_\_\_ AS PRESIDENT-1989-1993
- ELECTION OF A \_\_\_\_\_ (MODERATE) DEMOCRAT-WILLIAM (BILL) CLINTON
- \_\_\_\_\_ SWEEP OF CONGRESS IN THE 1990'S
- ELECTION OF \_\_\_\_\_ IN 2000
- **GOVERNMENT ACTIONS- THE ECONOMY**
- \_\_\_\_\_ –CONTROLS MONEY SUPPLY AND CREDIT TO EXPAND OR CONTRACT

## **ECONOMIC GROWTH**

- **PRESIDENT AND \_\_\_\_\_ DETERMINE LEVELS OF TAXATION AND SPENDING**

## **U.S. RESPONSES TO TERRORISM**

- **HEIGHTENED SECURITY AT HOME-(\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_), THREAT LEVELS, INCREASED SECURITY AT CERTAIN CHECKPOINTS**
- **DIPLOMATIC AND MILITARY INITIATIVES-ALLIANCES AND 2 WARS**

## **MISCELLANEOUS EVENTS**

1. 1972-WATERGATE-NIXON
2. 1979-IRAN HOSTAGE CRISIS-CARTER
3. 1986-IRAN-CONTRA AFFAIR-REAGAN
4. 1998-CLINTON-LEWINSKY SCANDAL-CLINTON